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## Juvenile Justice Staff and Local Citizen Recognized for Dedication, Courage During 2004 Medal of Valor Ceremony at State Capitol

By Margot Bach  
CDCR Communications Office

Former California Youth Authority Director Walter Allen III and Acting Director Silvia H. Garcia were joined by California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Undersecretary Jeanne S. Woodford in presenting the CYA's Medal of Valor awards on July 20 at the State Capitol.

The eighth annual presentation of the department's highest honors was conducted with dignity, and was noted as serving as the final ceremony that specifically honored those who work with juveniles. From this point forward, employees worthy of merit will be nominated from within all the divisions and units of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Those chosen for these prestigious awards will be presented at the annual event on the west steps of the State Capitol.

As of July 1, the CYA has become the Juvenile Justice Division of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Please see MOV, Page 6)



Former CYA Director Walter Allen III presents the CYA Medal of Valor to Youth Correctional Officer Edward Talisayan while Major Daryl Ballard assists. Please see accompanying story for more details.

### Governor Schwarzenegger Appoints 10 Members, Executive Director of the Board of Parole Hearings

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger announced July 1 the appointment of **Joyce Arredondo**, **Archie Biggers**, **Terry Farmer**, **Susan Fisher**, **Philip Inglee**, **Stephen Lee**, **Margarita Perez**, **Chuck Supple**, **Thomas Sawyer** and **Tracey St. Julien** to the Board of Parole Hearings and **Dennis Kenneally** as executive director of the Board.

**Joyce Arredondo** has served as a commissioner on the Youth Authority Board since January 2004. Prior to that, Arredondo was the executive director of the North Area Teen Center, a non-profit organization that provides after-school opportunities for tutoring, employment development, sports activities, cultural opportunities and field trips for junior and senior high school students, from

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### Governor Schwarzenegger Appoints Five to the Corrections Standards Authority

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger announced July 1 the appointment of **Pamala Gilyard**, **Gary Penrod**, **Michael Prizmich**, **Calvin Remington** and **Mimi Silbert** to the newly created Corrections Standards Authority.

**Pamela Gilyard** has served in the Sacramento County Probation Department since 1990. She began her tenure as a probation assistant and has since been promoted through the ranks to her current position of supervising probation officer for Juvenile Court Services. Gilyard was awarded Probation Officer of the Year for her work on the Gang Violence Suppression Unit and is a member of the Juvenile Drug Court Committee and the Sacramento County Probation Department.

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## California to Fund Prison Research Center at UC Irvine

In an effort to put science before politics when managing state prisons, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation announced in July it will provide \$1.95 million over three years for corrections research at a new UC Irvine center.

The Center for Evidence-Based Corrections will tap the research power of the University of California to evalu-



Joan Petersilia, Ph.D.

ate juvenile and adult prison programs - including rehabilitation, parole and reentry programs - and provide information that helps corrections officials make policy

decisions based on scientific evidence.

The center will be directed by **Joan Petersilia**, professor of criminology, law and society, and author of "When Prisoners Come Home: Prisoner Parole and Reentry." Petersilia has been advising state Corrections **Secretary Roderick Hickman** for more than a year as he works to reform the state's juvenile justice and adult prison system.

"We are in desperate need of independent, high-quality research to guide our program investments," said Hickman. "For too long in California we have failed to systematically evaluate program impacts, and we have funded programs based on opinions and anecdotes rather than scientific evidence. Partnering with Dr.

Petersilia and the faculty at UCI represents a significant step to change that."

The mission of the recently reorganized corrections system is to bring a scientific, evidence-based approach to corrections programs, and the UCI center - the only university center to be funded by the CDCR - will play a key role.

Petersilia, a longtime advocate of using research to inform corrections policy, said, "At the end of the day, this is about improving public safety. With the center, the state will be able to evaluate whether programs are working or failing, and keep only the programs that work."

The center will coordinate and fund

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## Cross Gender Searches of Clothed Women Offenders End

### *First of many goals to improve outcome for female offenders*

By George Kostyrko and Terry Thornton  
CDCR Communications Office

A long-standing practice of allowing male custody officers to conduct clothed body searches of female offenders was eliminated with a stroke of a pen. The informal signing ceremony took place in early May, and put the new directive in emergency regulations, which took effect immediately.

"We are making history in California," California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Undersecretary Jeanne Woodford** said during the signing ceremony.

"The one-size-fits-all approach does not work. I am proud of the teamwork and the work product to put the elimination of body searches of clothed female inmates into regulatory form. From its inception to its implementation, it's been a large amount of coordination in a very short amount of time."

The regulations came about as a recommendation in early January from the Gender-Responsive Strategies Commission created by Woodford when she was director of the California Department of Corrections.

The Commission developed the departmental regulations in record time after incorporating the findings of studies conducted by the Bureau of Justice, which found that more than 57 percent of incarcerated women have been sexually or physically abused at some time in their lives, compared with 16 percent of men. Case law also found that body searches of previously victimized female offenders by male staff contribute to re-traumatization.

"This team got it done," Undersecretary Woodford noted. "They all came together from through-

out the department to work on this issue as part of a comprehensive program we are rolling out. We have national experts from all disciplines including health care, mental health, inmate advocacy groups, community groups and researchers. We plan to report to the Little Hoover Commission, which has posed concerns about

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## Juvenile Justice Division Chief Sworn In



*Secretary Roderick Q. Hickman swears in new Division of Juvenile Justice Chief Deputy Secretary Bernard Warner on August 1. Warner's Special Assistant Sharie Wise, holds the Bible for him. Look for a profile on Mr. Warner in the next Staff News.*

## Special Olympics Northern California 2005 Summer Games Nets Wide Support

**By Mary Neade**  
**Administrative Assistant/PIO**  
**California State Prison Solano**

More than 1,000 athletes converged at the Stockton Ballpark in June, kicking off the eighth year the Special Olympics Northern California Summer Games have been held in Stockton.

Opening ceremonies began on a Friday night for the developmentally disabled athletes who have qualified in regional competitions. They competed in track and field, swimming, tennis, and volleyball games at San Joaquin Delta College throughout the weekend. The Special Olympics athletes compete year-round in

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## Battle of Badges Blood Drive Nets Record Donations in Annual Event

**By Javier Cavazos**  
**Administrative Assistant/PIO**  
**Valley State Prison for Women**

The men and women who put lives on the line everyday to ensure our safety recently faced off in a friendly competition to save lives by barring their arms and donating blood. It was all part of the Fresno County Battle of the Badges Blood Drive that was held on May 12, 2005.

With fierce competition brewing between administration and personnel from Valley State Prison for Women, Central California Women's Facility and Pleasant Valley State Prison, VSPW walked away as the winner with the most blood donations and earning the perpetual trophy and most importantly bragging rights for a year.

Ninety-two staff at VSPW donated blood. This set a new record at VSPW.

"It really is a time of camaraderie for all who come out to give. Not only were staff members of these in-



*Chief Deputy Warden (A) Tina Hornbeak receiving the first place trophy from Chris Sorensen, Director of Community Relations, Central California Blood Center.*

stitutions donating blood, but friends and family joined in on the fun while helping to save lives. One really does not know who may need blood some day. It could be someone in the family, relative or a close friend. That is why it is important, if your health al-

lows it, for everyone to donate blood," states Warden **Gloria A. Henry**. Staff who participated in the blood drive received a commemorative North Valley Battle of the Badges T-shirt and a packet of various coupons from local businesses.

The Central California Blood Center is the sole provider of blood and blood products for the 31 hospitals in Fresno, Tulare, Madera, Kings and Mariposa Counties and must collect at least 5,000 to 6,000 pints of blood monthly to meet the needs of the Valley community.

1997 to 2004.

**Archie "Joe" Biggers** has served on the Youth Authority Board since 2005. Prior to that, he served as executive director of the Greater San Diego Inner-City Games. Biggers served for 24 years in the United States Marine Corps, retiring in 1991 as a lieutenant colonel. From 1992 to 1994 he was operations director for the San Diego Police Athletic League and from 1994 to 1996 was executive director of the S.T.A.R. program (Sports Training, Academic & Recreation).

**Terry R. Farmer** has served as chief counsel to the Board of Prison Terms since June 2003. From 1983 to 2003 he served as Humboldt County district attorney. Farmer served as a partner in the law firm of Stokes, Steeves, Warren, Farmer and Jensen from 1978 to 1982 and as a Humboldt County deputy district attorney from 1975 to 1978.

**Susan L. Fisher** has served as a commissioner on the Board of Prison Terms since January 2004. From 1999 to 2004, she served as executive director of the Doris Tate Crime Victims Bureau, and before that, served on the Bureau's board of directors for seven years. She also served as president of Citizens for Law and Order.

**Philip S. Inglee** has served on the Board of Prison Terms since 2005. Prior to that, he served as a commissioner on the Orange County Parole Board from 2001 to 2005. Inglee worked as a banking executive for 33 years, serving as president and chief executive officer of Liberty National Bank from 1982 to 1998. He served as an officer in the United States Marine Corps from 1959 to 1962 on active duty and as a member of the reserves from 1962 until

his retirement as a colonel in 1989.

**Stephen Lee** has served on the Board of Prison Terms since 2005. Prior to that, he was a Los Angeles Superior Court Referee for seven years, where he handled all matters assigned in the Dependency and Juvenile Delinquency Court. Lee was a senior trial litigator for Lee & Associates from 1991 to 1995 and prior to that was a senior deputy district attorney for Los Angeles County from 1986 to 1991.

**Margarita Esabel Perez** has served as chairperson of the Board of Prison Terms since January 2004. From 2001 to 2004 she served as a senior investigator and parole agent in the investigations division. Perez served from 1996 to 2001 as a parole agent at the Department of Corrections. She began her career in law enforcement as a correctional officer, first at Avenal State Prison and later as a correctional sergeant at the Transportation Unit Based at Folsom State Prison. Perez is a former captain with the California Army National Guard. She served on active duty during Operation Desert Storm after volunteering for active duty following the terrorist attacks of September 11th.

**Chuck J. Supple** has served on the Youth Authority Board since 2003. Previously, he was director of the then-Governor's Office of Service and Volunteerism, now the California Service Corps. Prior to that, Supple served for five years as president and chief executive officer of Public Allies, Inc., a non-profit organization that develops community leadership skills among young adults.

**Thomas C. Sawyer** served as a California Highway Patrol officer for more than 20 years before being elected the sheriff-coroner of Merced County in 1990. He served as sheriff

for 11 years before his retirement in 2001. Most recently, he has been a consultant for Advanced Interactive Systems where he performed airport security training around the United States and with the Facility Group on project management and criminal justice planning.

**Tracey L. St. Julien** has been executive director of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, a nonprofit organization founded to promote advances in women's healthcare, since 2001. Previously, she was a consultant for Glaxo Wellcome, Incorporated and, from 1997 to 2000, owned and operated Gilded Age Tours, an international travel tour company. St. Julien served on the staff of California State Assemblymembers Curtis Tucker, Sr. and Curtis Tucker, Jr., first as a legislative assistant and then as chief of staff.

Board members Arredondo, Biggers and Supple will hear juvenile matters and Farmer, Fisher, Inglee, Lee, Perez, Sawyer and St. Julien will hear adult matters.

In addition, the Governor appointed **Dennis Kenneally** as executive director of the Board.

Kenneally served as advisor to the president and chief executive officer of Maxim Systems, Inc. and staff for Forfeiture Support Associates. Previously, he served for three years as commanding general and assistant adjutant general of the California National Guard. From 1995 to 2001 Kenneally was vice president of Pedus Services, where he was responsible for mergers, acquisitions and management and administrative services. Kenneally served for three years with the San Diego Sheriff's Department first as a special assistant and later as chief deputy and

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ment Performance Evaluation Committee.

**Gary Penrod** currently serves as the sheriff of San Bernardino County. He has been a member of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department since 1971, holding every rank from deputy to deputy sheriff before his election as sheriff in 1994. Penrod is a member of the California and National State Sheriffs' Associations, the California Peace Officers Association and the Attorney General's California Rural Crime Prevention Task Force. He is a former member of the U.S. Forest Service and has served in the U.S. Army.

**Michael Prizmich** currently serves as the sheriff-coroner of Amador County. He has been a member of the Amador County Sheriff's Department since 1976, first serving as a deputy before moving through the ranks and eventually reaching the position of undersheriff in 1992. Prizmich was previously the director of personnel and risk manager for Amador County and originally began his career in law enforcement with the Oakland Police Department in

1971. He has been a member of the Board of Corrections, the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission and the Off Highway Vehicle Commission. Prizmich is a member of the California State Sheriffs' Association and Seconds in Command.

**Calvin Remington** served as director and chief probation officer for the Ventura County Probation Agency since 1997. He served as a parole agent for the Youth Authority for four years before beginning his career at the Agency in 1974. Remington served as deputy director for four years at the Agency before his elevation to director. He has been a member of the Board of Corrections, is currently the president of the Chief Probation Officers of California and chairman of the Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council. Remington is the former president of the California Probation, Parole and Correctional Association and past chair of the Juvenile Policy Council.

**Mimi Silbert** is currently the chief executive officer and chairman of the Delancey Street Foundation and the headmaster of the Life Learning Academy. She began her career in the criminal justice system in 1966 and has been with Delancey Street since 1974. Silbert served as project director of the San Francisco Juvenile Justice Action Plan from 1996 to 2001. She has been a member of the Board of Corrections since 1986 and is a former member of the National Institute of Justice. Silbert was a recipient of the Minerva Award at the 2004 Governor's Conference on Women and Families.

As part of the new agency

structure at the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, many board structures were changed. In this case, the Correctional Peace Officer Standards and Training and Board of Corrections were combined to create the new Corrections Standards Authority. The new board establishes minimum standards for state and local correctional facilities. These standards include health and sanitary conditions, fire and life safety, security, rehabilitation programs, recreation, treatment of persons confined in state and local correctional facilities and personnel training.

### Welcome to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation newsletter "*Staff News*"

On July 1, the Youth and Adult Correctional Agency and the departments and boards within the agency became the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. This plan replaces an organizational structure that has been in place for more than 25 years and provides for better management of one of the largest correctional systems in the nation.

This reorganization will allow us to better manage the resources that the state dedicates to protecting the public from criminals who have been sent to prison.

There will be many questions in the weeks and months ahead. Please call our hotline at 866-772-2703. Your questions will be answered via this *Staff News* publication.

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YCO Daniel Barkley, Sgt. Ty Moreno, YCO Morris Davis, and TTS Joseph Hartigan pose with CYA Chief Deputy Director Silvia Garcia and former CYA Director Walter Allen III.

habilitation. **Bernard Warner** was recently appointed the Chief Deputy Secretary of the Juvenile Justice Division (please see page 4). Director Allen was recently appointed the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Correctional Safety, an office that will oversee law enforcement, safety and security issues.

In her remarks, Undersecretary Woodford noted the bravery that all staff has the potential to demonstrate in the treacherous and dangerous conditions that life sometimes finds them in. In each instance, their training and their humanity allows them to rise above fear and indecision and do the right thing.

Former CYA Director Allen noted that this ceremony – the eighth – would also be the last honoring CYA individuals in a stand-alone ceremony. He recognized private citizen Sy Lee for his commitment to public duty in talking a young ward who had run away to turn himself in.

The Medal of Valor Ceremony

honors employees and citizens who have distinguished themselves by conspicuous bravery, heroism, or dedication over and beyond the normal demands of their service with and for the department.

This year, CYA awarded one Medal of Valor, one Gold Star, three Silver Stars, two Bronze Stars, one Unit Citation and one Director's Commendation. All recipients who received stars this year were honored for acts that saved lives—either of citizens outside of Youth Authority facilities or wards and staff within the facilities.

The staff honored arrived from four different CYA locations throughout the state. Those who received the department's highest honors had made significant contributions to the safety, security and effectiveness of the workplace and/or the community during the year 2004.

"It is a pleasure to honor those who have not hesitated to do the 'right thing' when tragedy strikes and

those who have made a significant contribution to the mission of the Youth Authority," said former CYA Director Allen. "I'm very proud of the employees we are honoring today."

**The recipients for 2004 are:**

#### **Medal of Valor**

DeWitt Nelson Youth Correctional Facility (Stockton) Youth Correctional Officer **Edward Talisayan** of Stockton who came to the aid of passengers in a car that had lost control and hit a utility pole. Sparks from the power lines ignited a fire near the vehicle.

As fire was consuming the vehicle, with little thought to personal danger, Mr. Talisayan worked to rescue the back seat passenger until rescue efforts had to be abandoned. The two front seat occupants were able to escape.

#### **Gold Star**

Heman G. Stark Youth Correctional (Chino) Youth Correctional Officer **Daniel Barkley** of Riverside for his heroic actions and expert negotiating skills that allowed him to intervene with a suicidal youthful offender who was attempting to leap off the edge of a second-story building.

#### **Silver Star**

Washington Ridge Youth Conservation Camp (Nevada City) PA I **Magdalena Cardona-Riggs** and Youth Correctional Officer **James Crain**, both of Grass Valley, worked together to save the life of a youthful offender who was attempting to escape. The ward had seriously injured himself when he broke through a win-

dow and jumped over a perimeter fence. The pair apprehended the ward, performed first aid and made contact with emergency medical personnel who were able to get the ward to the nearest hospital for treatment.

Heman G. Stark Youth Correctional Facility (Chino) Sgt. **Ty E. Moreno** of Norco was honored for

life of a fellow staff member who suffered a life threatening medical emergency at work. The quick and life-saving actions of this team included immediate assessment and coordination of emergency medical staff and equipment to save the life of a fellow staff member. The team members are: **Dr. Evalyn Horowitz** of

Youth Correctional Counselor **Fred Fletcher** of Jackson, and Senior Youth Correctional **Tim Rough** of Lodi.

A **Special Commendation** went to **Sy Lee** of Sacramento for extraordinary courage and commitment in bridging cultural barriers between law enforcement and the Southeast Asian community. His efforts resulted in the peaceful surrender of a CYA ward walk-away. Mr. Lee is the program director for California Treatment Services-Clean and Sober Living.



*Preston Youth Correctional Facility employees display their Unit Citation along with State Senate and Assembly staff who gave citations to the recipients on behalf of the Legislature.*

his heroic work with a suicidal ward to prevent him from hurling himself from the roof of a second story building.

#### **Bronze Star**

Heman G. Stark Youth Correctional Facility (Chino) Youth Correctional Officer **Morris Davis** of Fontana and Treatment Team Supervisor **Joseph A. Hartigan, Jr.** of Big Bear Lake for their heroic efforts intervening to prevent a suicidal ward from hurling himself from a second-story building.

#### **Unit Citation**

six staff from Preston Youth Correctional Facility (Amador County) acted as a cohesive unit to save the



*Undersecretary Jeanne S. Woodford, and former CYA Director Allen flank Sy Lee.*

Elk Grove, **Sgt. Ed Fulton** of Plymouth, **RN Christine Garcia** of Rancho Murieta, Youth Correctional Officer **Jon Carlson** of Sacramento,

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assistant sheriff. His experience also includes six years as deputy assistant secretary for the United States Department of the Air Force. Kenneally joined the armed forces in 1963 serving for a total of 42 years.

As part of the new agency structure at the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, many of the board structures were changed. In this case, three boards -- Board of Prison Terms, Youth Authority Board and the Narcotic Addict Evaluation Authority -- were combined to create the new Board of Parole Hearings.

BPH considers parole release and establishes the terms and conditions of parole for all persons sentenced in California under the Indeterminate Sentencing Law, persons sentenced to a term of less than life under Penal Code Section 1168 (b), and for persons serving a sentence of life with possibility of parole. The Board may suspend or revoke the parole of any person under its jurisdiction who has violated parole. The Board also determines the necessity for rescission or postponement of parole dates for such persons. BPH is comprised of 17 members appointed by the Governor.



## Center...(From page seven)

research on issues where the CDCR wants additional help and evaluation. As topics are chosen, researchers at UCI and other California public universities will then be eligible to apply for funding to conduct the research. Topics for initial research projects include:

- Evaluating the state's new global positioning system for violent sex offenders,
- The development of community-based options (e.g., electronic monitoring, halfway houses) for parolees with technical violations, and
- Examining whether the state's

policy of racially segregating inmates in reception centers is actually necessary (an issue raised in U.S. Supreme Court Case *Johnson v. California*).

Helping Petersilia run the center will be associate director Susan Turner, newly appointed professor of criminology, law and society at UCI. For more than 20 years, Turner has conducted criminological research for RAND Corp. in Santa Monica.

The center will be part of the School of Social Ecology, where several faculty members already are involved in prison- and parole-research projects exploring issues ranging from

prison rape to the mental health of juveniles.

For more information, please contact Petersilia at [jrpeters@uci.edu](mailto:jrpeters@uci.edu).

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these issues in the past. This is a great example of partnership and the direction we are moving in toward developing strategies that are evidence-based."

The Gender-Responsive Strategies Commission was created to develop and implement strategies and plans related to women offenders. It is comprised of staff representing the various disciplines within the department, as well as nationally recognized experts in the field of female incarceration, including **Barbara Bloom, Ph. D.**, Sonoma State University, and Professor **Barbara Owen**, California State University, Fresno.

The department representation includes four wardens of institutions housing female offenders, substance abuse providers, Prison Focus and other community providers.

A primary function of the Commission will be to develop policies that benefit the offender, the department and the public, while recognizing the importance of gender distinctions. To this end, the

commission will use their own correctional experience and the guidance of credible researchers in the field of women's incarceration to change correctional policies that have long been centered upon male offenders.

The Commission will also implement policies, programs, and procedures that foster personal growth, accountability, self-reliance, education, life skills, workplace skills, and the maintenance of family and community relationships to lead to successful reintegration into society and reduce recidivism.

Woodford emphasized that the new regulation, and subsequent changes, really are the result of dedicated staff and correctional professionals willing to work together and discard previously-held notions about how corrections has been run.

"This started with the vision of former Central California Women's Facility Warden **Teena Farmon** and former California Institution for Women Warden **Sue Poole** years ago, when no one else was paying attention to

female offender issues," Woodford said.

"They took their vision and voiced their concerns, not only here in California, but to a national level to try to get everyone involved in these issues," she added.

Woodford also acknowledged the following individuals for their role in developing the new regulation: former California Rehabilitation Center Warden **Jo Ann Gordon**, and the current wardens of institutions housing women offenders: California Institution for Women Warden **Dawn Davison**; Central California Women's Facility Warden **Debra Jacquez**; Valley State Prison for Women Warden **Gloria Henry**; and California Rehabilitation Center Warden **Guillermina Hall**.

She also acknowledged the role played by **John Dovey**, director of Adult Institutions, who was a warden at CIW, all the members of the Gender-Responsive Strategies Commission, and Ombudsman **Sarah Malone**.



## Special..(From page three)

different sports, from basketball to hockey and soccer.

Warden **Tom L. Carey** at California State Prison, Solano was invited to participate in the ceremonies. He cordially accepted and stood with officers from around the state for the Wall of Honor Friday night. The next day, Warden Carey volunteered in the events, including presenting awards to the Special Olympics athletes.

In the Special Olympics athletes "there is no attitude; ... they do it for the pure love of competition," said Coach Murray, a former University of the Pacific football player who teaches physical education at Tokay High School. The cheering, the ribbons, and fit bodies are all natural benefits of Special Olympics. But the

athletes and their parents and coaches say the deeper rewards are the relationships formed among those who participate.

Local law enforcement officers joined Warden Carey and lined up for the Wall of Honor Friday night, in honor of the opening ceremonies. Law enforcement officers carried the Special Olympics torch from Pacific to the Stockton Ballpark through the Wall of Honor. The torch ignited a large cauldron of fire symbolizing the games' beginning.

Police officers began running the torch throughout Northern California in King City. Since then, the torch has been as far north as Solano County, passed from the San Francisco Police

Department to the Oakland Police Department at a San Francisco Giants' baseball game, and flown from Livermore to Tracy by helicopter.

Law Enforcement Originations throughout the state helped raise 750,000 which was presented to Special Olympics during the ceremonies. CSP-Solano is a proud participant in the fundraiser. For years, Solano's Victim Offender Reconciliation Group and the Prison Outreach Program have participated in the fund raising efforts through inmate fundraising food sales.

From the opening ceremonies on Friday until the end of the games at 2 p.m. Sunday, all the events were free and there was plenty of room for volunteers to help with the games.

## In Brief..

On July 25, Correctional Rehabilitation Center acting Warden **Guillermina Hall** acknowledged Correctional Officer **Ronald E. Gibbons**, for 25 years of service with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Ms. Hall presented Officer Gibbons with a card, a plaque, and a gold watch.

Officer Gibbons started working at the Pacific State Hospital as a Psychiatric Technician in 1973. From there he transferred to Napa State Hospital and then on to Metropolitan State Hospital. In 1978, Gibbons transferred to the California Medical Facility as a Correctional Officer.

In 1980 Gibbons transferred to



*Correctional Officer Gibbons stands with Warden Hall.*

the California Rehabilitation Center (CRC). In 1986 accepted a promotion to Correctional Sergeant at the California Institution for Women. In 1993, Gibbons requested a voluntary demotion and returned to CRC.

On July 26, Correctional Rehabilitation Center

acting Warden Guillermina Hall acknowledged Correctional Officer **Victor R. Gonzales** for his selection as Officer of the Quarter by the California Rehabilitation Center Inmate Family Council (CRC-IFC). On behalf of the CRC-IFC, Ms. Hall presented Officer Gonzales with Certificates of Appreciation from **Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez**, and

members **Karen Bass**, **Jackie Goldberg**, **Mervyn Dymally**, and



*Warden Hall hands commendations to CO Gonzalez.*

**Jerome E. Horton.**

In its nomination, the CRC Inmate Family Council stated: "The inmates write that his dealings with them are humble and non-threatening but stern. He not only makes sure that the environment stays safe when he is present, he also counsels and encourages the inmates."